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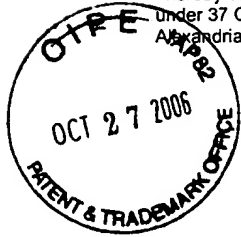
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In re Application of:

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Application No.: 09/631,613

Filed: August 4, 2000

For: POLYMERASE ENHANCING
FACTOR (PEF) EXTRACTS, PEF
PROTEIN COMPLEXES, ISOLATED
PEF PROTEINS, AND METHODS
FOR PURIFYING AND
IDENTIFYING THEM

Group Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: C. WILDER

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed April 27, 2006 ("Action"). The period for reply has been extended three months by the Petition for Three Month Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections.

Amendments to the claims appear at pages 2 to 3.

Remarks appear at pages 4 to 12.